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Small Fruit Plants

⇒ FOR THE SPRING OF 1894. ⇐

For Sale by JOHN LITTLE, Granton, Ont.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

PLEASE READ EVERY WORD IN THIS PRICE LIST, IT WILL PAY YOU.

1. We make it our business to keep well up with the introduction of promising novelties; and we have, in the course of our business, tried and rejected hundreds of varieties, many of which have appeared in our lists in advance of testing, as the means of accommodating amateurs who may desire to make their early acquaintance. An examination of the present lists will show that we are on the alert to collect, test, and winnow the chaff from the mass of novelties constantly being afforded, approving and commending those found worthy, or at least promising. In the following catalogue, preceding each list of varieties, a few descriptions are given of such as we confidently commend to planters. In these we sedulously avoid overstatements, basing them mainly upon our own experience or observation.

2. While we are anxious to obtain new customers, we have just as great a desire to retain our present ones. To do this we expect to treat them well, and we have the ability and disposition to do so.

3. Our patrons will find our Strawberry Plants first-class in every respect, as they have not been culled for fall planting.

4. If to be sent by mail, add 25 cents per 100; free at dozen rates.

5. Those marked (P) are pistillate and will not fruit alone, but must have every fourth or fifth row of some staminate sort. Those marked (B) are perfect blossoms and will bear alone or fertilize those marked (P).

6. Our prices will be as low as those of any other reputable establishment.

7. For loss or damage properly chargeable to us we will, as far as practicable, make amends, IF PROMPTLY NOTIFIED. In case of error, omission or injury, notify us AT ONCE.

8. To insure satisfactory results, order early. Terms, (unless agreed otherwise,) cash with the order. No plants sent C. O. D.

9. Remittances may be made by post office or express money order, on office at this place, or by registered letter. If sent in individual check, add twenty-five cents to cover cost of collection.

10. Half dozen and fifty will be sent at dozen, and hundred rates, respectively.

A STRONG POINT.

There is no fruit which will yield the grower as much money as the Strawberry. A fraction of an acre can often make considerable money by planting the Strawberry; it is a marvelous plant, every picking is a crop; in reality there is no fruit that will give such large returns as the Strawberry, it will fill your pockets with money.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN LITTLE.

Testimonials and Prices of New Strawberries.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE!

To all my customers who buy one dollar's worth of Strawberry Plants I will give two plants of the Red Alpine Strawberry, also two plants of the Royal Church Red Raspberry—one of the largest and most productive of the red variety.

We are anxious that our customers should have a good Strawberry Paper to help them in their work. We have made arrangements with the publishers of the Strawberry Culturist—it is a quarterly paper and just the paper for the S. B. grower. We offer it free for one year to any one who will buy one dollar's worth of strawberry plants; that is, if you buy two dollars' worth of plants you get both premiums.

I head the list with the Woolverton until I get a better berry.

THE WOOLVERTON. Sir,—You will be glad to learn that the "Woolverton" strawberry plants I received from the Society have been very successful. It is a fine berry. I prefer it decidedly to the "Williams," or, indeed, to any other strawberry that I have. It is symmetrical in shape, firm in flesh, and good in color. It is also strong and vigorous in growth and a profuse bearer. I have now a large number and am propagating only from them.

October 9th, 1893.

J. L. THOMPSON.

Cuyahoga Falls, O.

DEAR FRIEND LITTLE,—After fruiting the Woolverton three times, both in hills and matted rows, and under various conditions, I am of the opinion that it is one of the most valuable ever introduced. In fact, I am always surprised to see how well it does. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower very healthy, makes a sufficient number of strong runners, and is a very good bearer. The blossom is perfect and it remains in bloom a long time. The fruit is large to very large. I have had it seven inches in circumference, rarely misshapen, bright glossy red, firm and of good quality. Mr. W. J. Green of the Ohio Experiment Station, one of the most careful and accurate men, reports substantially as above. I had his verbal report at the meeting of the State Society some days ago —M. Crawford.

The following is from Herbert M. Woodward, of Rockford, Ill.:—"I would say this in regard to the Woolverton—With me it is a good, strong grower, and makes plenty of runners for a matted row, stands drouth well, and shows no signs of rust. Fruit was very large and good flavor. I think the yield was the best of any perfect flowering variety I had out of about twenty kinds that I fruited. I had about made up my mind to try it for a mate for Bubach No. 5."

Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, Grimsby, Jan. 27th, 1893.

MR. JOHN LITTLE, Granton Ont: My Dear Sir,—Ever since I saw the Woolverton strawberry in your grounds I have commended it highly. The plant is evidently a good strong grower, and very productive of immense berries which seem to run uniformly large. They are of excellent color and I feel sure that it will be a most popular market berry. I am, sir, yours very truly, L. WOOLVERTON, Secretary.

Taken from the Oct. No. of the American Garden:—I visited Mr. Little's lately and saw the Woolverton in fruiting and felt that it was a real compliment he had given me. The berries are uniformly large-sized, surpassing any berry with which I am acquainted. I am inclined to think that this berry will really be a favorite with strawberry growers

NEW STRAWBERRIES.

MARSHALL. TIMBRELL. IVANHOE. PRINCETON CHIEF.

THE MARSHALL received two First and three Second prizes from Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1892. A new and distinct variety; large size, good form and quality, dark color, and very promising. 3,000 boxes from one-third of an acre raised last year. 110 berries on a single plant. A Queen of berries. Send for circular. Limited amount. \$10 per doz. plants

M. F. EWELL, Marshfield Hills, Mass.

Mr. F. W. Rogers writes to the American Farm and Horticulturist as follows:

"I made a visit to the grounds of Mr. Elwell, the originator of the Marshall strawberry, and saw the Marshall in fruit this season. This is the berry that has created so much sensation here in the East the past two years, and is sold for \$10 per dozen plants. The Marshall is a chance seedling, and was found on a stone-heap by the originator. The plant is a marvel, the largest I ever saw, and on pasture land grows as though it were on a dung-heap. From what I saw of it I should say it was productive and a good plant-maker. The berry is very large, firm, and of fair flavor for a large berry. We would say we got a dozen of the above; cost us \$11.50 including \$1.50 expressage on one dozen. We hope it is a good one, for \$11.50 for one dozen plants is very large money, and any of our friends who want to try this berry can get the plants through us. We would say every one of our plants lived and are making an excellent growth. The leaves and foliage are very large. Of the fruit we can tell you more next season. The originator claims it is the largest strawberry grown, 14 filling a basket. The originator has many good testimonials as to this berry, and we hope it will turn out all he claims."

TIMBRELL (P.) This strawberry was introduced last year and from all accounts is to take a leading place in the strawberry world. The demand for plants last year from the introducer was greater than the supply. E. S. Carman, editor of Rural New Yorker, says: "The Timbrell as judged by me, all things considered, is the best berry I ever tried." The plant is a good grower. The fruit is round and of good size, firm, a good shipper, season very late, a good quality. \$2 per dozen; \$10 per hundred.

IVANHOE.—This berry was originated by Geo. W. Trowbridge, Hamilton Co., Ohio, and is a seedling of that beautiful berry, the "Prince of Berries." We have fruited it now for three years, and will say that it is of good size; firm and an excellent shipper; beautiful color and of the finest flavor; foliage healthy. It is nearer the ideal strawberry than has yet been reached. Among the newer strawberries that I have fruited, I am particularly pleased with Barton, Princess, Lovett, Beverley, Auburn, Middlefield, Woolverton, Muskingum, Beaver No. 3, and IVANHOE. It is quite probable that other new varieties of strawberries may be as good, but these sorts were finest here this season.

THE PRINCETON CHIEF (Per.)—Originated by F. W. Poscharsky in 1884 and has been tested by him for seven years, and did so well in 1892 that it was introduced by the originator. And this is the second spring that it is offered to the public.

DESCRIPTION—Plant is a very vigorous grower, with strong, deeply penetrating roots, free from disease, endures the drought remarkably well, will not burn out in dry seasons; and is not injured by extreme cold. Is a great plant producer with a large dark green foliage, perfect blossom. Has a tall, stout erect, fruit stem, and is a heavy bearer. Berries large and of good shape, color dark glossy red, with a deep red flesh, and very firm, very best for shipping long distance. Quality fine, is one of the sweetest of strawberries.

ALPINE SEEDLING.—A distinct variety, long, of peculiar flavor. John Little, Esq., of Canada, to whom we sent plants last spring for testing, says: "The Alpine Seedling is a novelty. They did not mind coming from Maryland here. They started to grow at once and gave the first berries and continued to bloom and fruit till the frost and snow came."

EDWARDS FAVORITE.—This is a new strawberry of Colorado origin and doubtless the largest variety ever produced. Will fruit on our ground this year. Mr. Edwards wrote us late last fall as follows about this strawberry: "There is one-fourth more money for me in this variety than any other I have ever grown. It is safe against late frost and foliage covers the bloom, giving protection against the hot sun. It does best in matted rows, not too wide. I have grown 12,000 quarts per acre of the Edwards the third year after planting." Of all the newer kinds I have this year, the Edwards Favorite—the New Colorado Strawberry—is the most promising. A few fruit buds left on after planting bore some fine solid berries, nearly every one a large one.

PARKER EARLE (S.) Suitable only for rich moist ground and family use. With extra care it can be made to yield an enormous crop. 50c. per dozen, \$3.00 per 100.

GEM (Nehring's) (P.) Mr. T. T. Lyon says of it: "Gem is a very recent introduction by Wm. F. Nehring, of Strasburg, Ill., which proves to be one of the most vigorous and productive varieties in the list. The fruit is of very large size, seldom distorted, and of medium quality and firmness. If as successful elsewhere as here it may be expected to assume a position very near the head of the best of market varieties." I have not fruited it yet, but the style of plant is certainly equal to the best. 60c. per dozen; \$2 per hundred.

ROBINSON.—"The Robinson Strawberry originated by planting seed from a Crescent, which was fertilized by pollen from Charles Downing, therefore it is a cross of Crescent and Downing, and it possesses all the merits of both parents without the faults of either."

DAYTON (B)—We have not fruited this new variety. It is a strong, healthy grower. It is claimed by those who have seen it in fruiting to excel in earliness, hardiness, large size, productiveness, superior quality, perfect bloom, good shipping quality, fine color, vigorous growth and entire freedom from rust. It certainly is worthy of extensive trial.

MRS. CLEVELAND (P)—In vigorous growth it is hardly equalled, plants very large. Fruit large and very uniform, very attractive scarlet color, firm, fine flavor; has given excellent satisfaction over a wide range of country.

GREENVILLE—Plants vigorous, free from rust, very productive, fruit uniformly large size, of fine quality, ripens evenly, season medium to late, a good shipper. The reports of tests made at many Exp. stations all pronounce it one of the best.

LEADER (B)—Early, very large, crimson color, productive.

MUSKINGUM (B)—Medium to late, vigorous, healthy, very productive, large size, dark glossy red, fine flavor.

BEDER WOOD (B)—One of the very best growers we have, fruit above medium size, fine form and color, an excellent quality, very productive, valuable for market or home use, or as a pollinizer.

BEEBEE—Solid berries of regular form, mild in quality, scarlet to crimson in color, rose flesh, firm, showy, seamed, lobed and regular but showy

BEVERLY—Berries average large, dark crimson, excellent quality, rose flesh, regular form.

IOWA BEAUTY—Fine, heart-shape, crimson and glossy; best quality.

REGINA Grand Bay, Ala., U. S. This is the best late variety on our grounds; the berries, owing to large size and beautiful shape, will command fancy prices in any market.

CLARK'S EARLY—Conical, sometimes winged, inclined to light crimson, good quality, early, ovate to round.

PHILLIP'S SEEDLING No 1—This new variety, which was introduced the past spring for the first time is destined to occupy first rank among strawberry growers. The plant is a strong grower. The berries are large, of perfect shape, and the yield is heavy. Blossom perfect. My customers will be safe in giving them a trial.

Something New. GLADIOLUS BULBS—One year seedlings from the best seed obtainable in this country and Europe. These are well grown, and will make fine blooming bulbs next year. One thousand may be grown on a square rod and there will be no two exactly alike. Each hundred will contain some very fine ones. For the inexperienced this is immensely better than attempting to grow their own from seed. Packed securely and mailed any time in the fall or winter. Printed instructions accompany each package. 100 \$1; 1,000 \$7 50; 10,000 \$60; 100,000 \$500.

Seedsmen and others who buy bulbs in large quantities are invited to come and examine my stock during August and September. Over 100,000 seedlings will bloom here this season for the first time. Of young seedlings I have a very large stock—hundreds of thousands. Of blooming bulbs and young stock coming on from bulbets, there are some five acres. Although I raise so many, they are all sold out before the close of the planting season, and many customers are disappointed because their orders can not be filled. In November I shall be able to fill any order however large it may be and those who desire bulbs should write for prices at that time.

M. CRAWFORD, Cuyahoga Falls, O.

A Specialist. D. B. Woodbury, of Paris, Mo., makes a specialty of the Pansy, and is prepared to furnish seed of extra quality. I have tested it and know that it is superior, though sold at a moderate price. He also raises seedling potatoes and many other things in which most tillers of the soil are interested. His catalogue is sent free to any address.

Strawberry Plants, Varieties and Prices.

P—Pistillate.				B—Staminate or Perfect Flowers.						
		Per 12	Per 100			Per 12	Per 100			
1	Woolverton	B	\$ 60	\$2 50	22	Clark's Early	B	40	2 00	
2	Marshall—No plants for sale till August 1st, 1894.				23	Martha	P	30	1 25	
		Per 12	Per 50	Per 100	24	Beder Wood	B	30	1 25	
3	Timbrell (by mail)....	P	\$1 50	\$3 75	\$7 50	25	Mrs Cleveland.....	P	40	1 25
4	Ivanhoe	B	1 00		26	Haverland	P	25	1 00	
5	Princeton Chief—B—No plants for sale till August 1st, 1894.				27	Leader	B	50	2 50	
		Per 12	Per 100		28	Idaho	B	50		
6	Edward's Favorite..	B	\$ 60	\$2 25	29	Californian	B	50		
7	Robinson & Smith..	B	60	2 25	30	Cowan	P	50		
8	Saunders & Parker Earle..	B	50	2 00	31	Australian —ever-bearing...	B	50		
9	Nehring's Gem.....	P	60	3 00	32	Miller's Seedling...	B	50		
10	Van Deman	B	1 00	2 50	33	Burt	B	30	2 00	
11	Bride of Albany....	P	1 00	2 50	34	Mitchell's Seedling..	B	40		
12	Gen. Putnam	P	50	2 00	35	Acem	B	40		
13	Gillespie	B	50	2 00	36	Bubach	P	30	1 00	
14	Greenville	P	50	2 00	37	Warfield	P	30	1 00	
15	Judsonia	B	1 00	3 00	38	Brandywine and Glen Mary under restrictions. I regard these as extremely promising varieties, and tell their merits in my July report.				
16	Iowa Beauty	B	50	2 00						
17	Muskingum.....	B	50	2 00						
18	Dayton	B	50	2 00						
19	Beverly	B	40	2 00						
20	Beebee & Lovett's Early	B	40	2 00						
21	Regina—P & Williams—B		40	2 00						

These in limited quantities—Ona, Oscar, Orona, Dandy, Prize, Topeka, Chesapeake, Sterling, Northern Star, Stella, Hatch Exp Station No. 24, good; Yankee Doodle—this is good both in plant and fruit, Stewart, Leavers. Prices on application.

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